

## House Resolution No. 1356

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are pleased to recognize the Boys & Girls Clubs of Missouri for the valuable contribution they make to the young people of this state; and

**Whereas**, Boys & Girls Clubs provide services to more than 82,721 school-aged youth in sixteen cities in Missouri with a goal to inspire all young people, especially those from disadvantaged backgrounds, to realize their full potential as productive, responsible, and caring citizens; and

**Whereas**, through strong, proven development programs, leaders in the Boys & Girls Clubs stress character and leadership development, education and career advancement, and health and life skills; encourage an appreciation for the arts; and provide sports, fitness, and recreation opportunities; and

**Whereas**, Boys & Girls Clubs programs promote a better self-image, improved education, and social, emotional, and cultural awareness while encouraging community involvement, strong moral values, and enhanced life management skills; and

**Whereas**, on April 1, 2008, Boys & Girls Clubs will select the Missouri State Youth of the Year to represent the state of Missouri in the National Youth of the Year contest sponsored by Boys & Girls Clubs of America; and

**Whereas**, through the years Boys & Girls Clubs have encouraged young people to aspire to the highest level of personal development and to become good citizens who are involved in their communities; and

**Whereas**, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in its diverse legislative actions in order to commend Boys & Girls Clubs across the state for the outstanding services they provide young people and their families:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the history, goals, and accomplishments associated with Boys & Girls Clubs in the state of Missouri and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for continued success for many more years to come; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Boys & Girls Clubs of Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Bob Dixon  
District No. 140

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,  
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 1356, adopted April 1, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker